

California Regional Water Quality Control Board



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To: Interested Persons

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF "WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN - CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN" (BASIN PLAN) REGARDING REFERENCE OF THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD "NONPOINT SOURCE PROGRAM STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN"AND RESTRUCTURING THE BASIN PLAN NONPOINT SOURCE INFORMATION, FINDINGS, AND REQUIREMENTS.

The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) is proposing an amendment to its <u>Water Quality Control Plan - Central Coastal Basin</u> (Basin Plan). The Basin Plan serves as the cornerstone water quality protection policy for the Central Coast. It identifies beneficial uses of surface and ground waters, establishes water quality objectives to protect beneficial uses, and provides an implementation plan to achieve those objectives.

The purpose of this amendment is to:

- Reference the State Water Resources Control Board January 2000 Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program.
- 2. Emphasize information and management actions contained in the January 2000 Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program for the protection and restoration of riparian areas.
- 3. Restructure sections of the Basin Plan to have appropriate nonpoint source information, requirements, and prohibitions in a designated section of the Basin Plan. The section is titled Control of Nonpoint Source Pollutants.

Copies of the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan (in the form of a draft amendment for adoption, staff report, and a functionally equivalent document which includes an Environmental Checklist) are available on the Internet at www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb3/. At the website, on the first page you will see a staff report "PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF "WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN - CENTRAL COASTAL BASIN" (BASIN PLAN) REGARDING INCORPORATION OF THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD "NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM"AND RESTRUCTURING THE BASIN PLAN NONPOINT SOURCE INFORMATION, FINDINGS, AND REQUIREMENTS." The proposed amendments to the Basin Plan are also available by request at the Regional Board office. You may also request a mailed copy of these documents by contacting Howard Kolb at 805-549-3332 or <a href="https://dx.doi.org/10.1001/jhk01b.2001/jhk

The Regional Board will hold a hearing to identify and prioritize water quality issues. The public hearing is scheduled as follows:

California Environmental Protection Agency



Date: December 6, 2002

Time: 8:30 A.M.

Place: Conference Room

Regional Water Quality Control Board 895 Aerovista Place, SUITE 101 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401-5427

The location of the hearing is described on the attached map and is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact **Cyndee Jones** at **805-549-3372** at least 5 working days prior to December 6, 2002. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please review the proposed amendment and provide additions and/or comments by September 23, 2002. Comments or questions regarding this matter should be directed to Howard Kolb at 805-549-3332 or hkolb@rb3.swrcb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Roger W. Briggs
Executive Officer

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File: Basin Plan, Nonpoint Source Section Revision

Central Coast Regional Water Quality Board Office Map

